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because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

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BOX II. OBSERVATIONS WHERE UNITY OF INVENTION WAS LACKING

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This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. In order for all inventions to be searched, the appropriate additional search fees must be paid.

Group I, claim(s) 1-6, 13-20, and 94-100, drawn to a first compound and a method for preparing the same.

Group II, claim(s) 7-12, 23-30, 34, 36-42, 45-61, 65-72, and 93, drawn to a second compound where X_3 is compound XI and a method of making the same.

Group III, claim(s) 7-12, 23-27, 29-33, 35-42, 45-81, drawn to a third compound where X_3 is compound XII and a method of making the same.

Group IV, claim(s) 21 and 23, drawn to 4th compound and method of making.

Group V, claim(s) 22 and 23, drawn to a 5th compound and method of making the same.

Group VI, claim(s) 43 and 44, drawn to a method of making a folic acid derivative.

Group VII, claim(s) 82-85, drawn to 7th compound where X_3 is compound XI.

Group VIII, claim(s) 82, 87-90, drawn to a 8th compound where X_3 is compound XII.

Group IX, claim(s) 91, drawn to a 9th compound.

Group X, claim(s) 92, drawn to 10th compound.

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